

PREDICTIVE SERVICES

INCIDENT STATUS SUMMARY (ICS-209)

Refer to the National Interagency Mobilization Guide, Chapter 20, for reporting requirements and format. In addition to the national criteria, ICS-209's are required on any Southern Area incidents in which structures are destroyed.

Specific instructions for entering ICS-209 information using the 209 Program are located in the User's Guide at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/planning/nist/209.htm>. The ICS-209 Program is located at: <http://fam.nwcg.gov/fam-web/>.

WILDFIRES

Wildfires include all unplanned fires.

WILDFIRES MANAGED FOR FULL SUPPRESSION

For full suppression wildfires an ICS-209 will be required when that fire meets large fire criteria. The National Interagency Coordination Center classifies large fires as 100 acres or larger in timber fuel types, 300 acres or larger in grass or brush fuel types, or when a Type 1 or 2 IMT is assigned. An ICS-209 will be submitted daily until the incident is contained.

WILDFIRE MANAGED FOR POINT OR ZONE PROTECTION/LIMITED PERIMETER CONTROL OR MONITOR/CONFINE/CONTAIN

All non-full suppression fires will submit an ICS-209 for any wildfire that is expected to remain active for more than 72 hours.

The minimum ICS-209 requirements for these types of incidents are:

- Create an initial ICS-209; complete blocks 1 through 15 and block 42, Remarks.
- Complete blocks 45 through 47, Approval Information (required for all ICS-209 reports).
- If national shared resources are committed to the incident, complete Block 43, Committed Resources.
- Completion of additional reporting blocks can be implemented to meet the needs of an incident or GACC.
- An updated ICS-209 will be submitted weekly (Thursday) if no significant event change occurs.
- An updated ICS-209 will be submitted more frequently after or in anticipation of a significant change event.
- A complete ICS-209 will be required daily if a Type 1 or 2 IMT is assigned.

The complete reporting requirements for Point or Zone Protection/Limited Perimeter Control or Monitor/Confine/Contain wildfires are located on the web at:

http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/intelligence/ICS-209_Interim_Reporting_Guidelines.pdf

OTHER INCIDENTS

An ICS-209 will be submitted for other significant events in which a significant commitment of wildland fire resources has occurred or when a Type 1 or 2 Interagency Incident Management Team has been assigned.

COMPLEX REPORTING

Incidents within a complex should be aggregated and included on one (1) ICS-209. A complex is two (2) or more individual incidents located in the same general proximity, which are assigned to a single Incident Commander or unified command. Individual large incidents within a complex should be listed in the Remarks section along with acreage and percent contained.

Reporting units must also capture any changes in acreage on the ICS-209s via the "Daily Stats" or "YTD Statistics" screens of the Sit Report Program.

If any significant changes occur overnight (large increase in acreage, change in complexity, increased threat to life/property, change in containment/control status, etc.), an update will be made to the GACC Intelligence Coordinator via phone or e-mail smob@fs.fed.us.

INTERAGENCY SITUATION REPORT

Refer to the National Interagency Mobilization Guide, Chapter 20, for reporting requirements and content. In addition to the national criteria, Situation Reports are required within the Southern Area year-round, whenever fire activity occurs.

Centers will report all fire activity (including prescribed fires and for resource benefit) and status of initial attack resources via the web based Interagency Situation Report application.

- Daily Fire Statistics: Fire occurrence information will be reported by both protection responsibility and land ownership.
- Resource Information: Resource status is projected for the next 24 hours. The following definitions are to be used when reporting projected resource status:
 - Available resources – all resources physically located on and under the control of the reporting unit(s) that are not committed to incidents or on a mandatory day off.
 - Committed resources – resources assigned to initial/extended attack incidents and prescribed fires on the local unit(s). Do not show resources committed to any fires for which 209s are being prepared; these numbers will be captured from the 209 program.
- Planned Rx: At Area Preparedness Levels 4 and 5, Centers will report all planned prescribed fires (all agencies). Any resources expected to be committed to the Rx fire are listed in the remarks block
- Incident Priorities: Whenever a reporting center has multiple incidents for which ICS-209s are being submitted, this screen will be used to designate the local incident priorities. This information is used at SACC and NICC to identify area and national priorities.
- YTD Statistics: Centers should reconcile the year-to-date (YTD) numbers shown for their units in the Sit Program with those from the official fire reports entered into the agency database(s) on a regular basis, preferably once a month

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT

Refer to the National Interagency Mobilization Guide, Chapter 20, for a description of this report produced by NICC.

7-DAY SIGNIFICANT FIRE POTENTIAL OUTLOOK

Refer to the National Interagency Mobilization Guide, Chapter 20, for reporting requirements and content.

NATIONAL MONTHLY AND SEASONAL WILDLAND SIGNIFICANT FIRE POTENTIAL OUTLOOK

Monthly: Issued the first business day of the month (Refer to the National Interagency Mobilization Guide). This product is issued by NICC and is based on input provided by the individual GACCs. This product is normally combined with seasonal maps that provide an outlook for an additional three months. Thus, the total package contains a one month outlook and discussion points appropriate for that month as well as maps and discussion points for the next two, three, and four months out. Beginning February 2013, the updated version of this product will contain three separate maps that continue to cover four months. The monthly outlook will be one map, the first month of the seasonal outlook will be a separate second map, and the last two months of the seasonal outlook will be combined into a third map.

FUEL AND FIRE BEHAVIOR ADVISORIES

Refer to National Interagency Mobilization Guide, Chapter 20, for a description of this NICC product.

WILDLAND FIRE ENTRAPMENT/FATALITY

Refer to National Interagency Mobilization Guide, Chapter 20, for reporting criteria.

DAILY FIRE BEHAVIOR FORECAST

Current and accurate weather information is critical for firefighters and managers to perform their mission safely and effectively. State Coordination Centers will ensure that fire weather forecasts are communicated in a timely manner to firefighters on initial and extended attack incidents.

When extended severe fire weather and potential for extreme fire conditions exists, the Southern Area MAC Group will direct the SACC Center Manager to place a Fire Behavior Analyst on the staff at SACC to provide a general fire behavior forecast for the Southern Area on a daily basis. This will normally be done at Southern Area Preparedness Levels IV and above. The Meteorologist or Assistant Meteorologist will provide daily weather briefings to the MAC Group and/or on conference calls as needed.